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RIGHT: In a goalmouth scrimmage during last Sunday's Budapest — Yugal match this remarkable picture shows the body of Alan Hetherington (Budapest) and the head and arms of Kurt Spiegel (Yugal) as though they were moulded into one. The match was drawn 1:1. BELOW: A shot from the 1960 Grand Final between Canterbury and Prague (5:2).

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NORTHERN LEAGUE

Wallsend, Lake tipped in Craven A 2nd round

By "T I K I"

The second round of the Craven A "500" comes up on Sunday when Wallsend meet Merewether in the early game, followed by Cardiff v. Lake Macquarie.

Although my form as a tipster took a knock last weekend I am going for Wallsend and Lake Macquarie to take the honors.

Merewether finished nine points behind Wallsend on the premiership table, but they are a team that can usually extend Wallsend.

In the first round of the premiership they held Wallsend to a 2-all draw.

Many who saw the match considered Merewether unfortunate not to have taken out both points.

An interesting duel should be witnessed in this game between Merewether stopper George Arthur and centre forward for Wallsend, Bill Collins.

They played together for some years in the Wallsend team and will know everything there is to know about the play of each other.

As a result the play and tactics of the Wallsend inside forwards could have a strong bearing on the result.

I am going for Wallsend to win, but they will not be able to take their opposition lightly.

In the second match, Lake Macquarie, who finished 10 points ahead of Cardiff in the premiership and easily beat the two teams who finished ahead of them to take top honors must be favored to win this game.

However, on the two premiership matches played this season the results slightly favor Cardiff.

In the first round Cardiff won 5:0, and in the second round Lake Macquarie won 4:1, so on goals Cardiff would lead six to four.

Lake Macquarie, on the other hand, will be anxious to ultimately win this trophy, which would give them a treble for the season.

It is expected that Lake Macquarie will use the speed of its forwards in an endeavor to score one or more goals in the first 10 minutes, then dictate the pattern of the game.

But Cardiff will be prepared for this manoeuvre and could even try similar tactics.

However, one must be consistent and follow form so I am going for a win to Lake Macquarie.

In the Craven A first round last weekend the unexpected happened when Mayfield got up to defeat West Wallsend by the odd goal in seven.

This included a gem of a goal by Mayfield replacement Ian Thickbroom, with a first time angled shot that gave the goalkeeper no chance.

In the second game we saw Cessnock overcome the hoodoo to defeat Newcastle Australs in a game that could easily have finished a draw.

In the last 20 minutes Australs threw everything into it and on three occasions were unlucky not to score.

Johnny Barr played a real captain's game for the winners and his astute passing made many openings for his forwards who peppered the Australs goals.

But they found Joe Lanzoni anticipating their shoting in fine style.

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Cessnock (J. Barr, A. Johns) 2 v. Newcastle Australs (L. Rorato) 1.

N. Z. SUMMARY

The 1962 soccer season in New Zealand has just come to a close, with Technical of Hamilton thrashing Northern (Dunedin) in the Cup Final.

Technical thus became the first team from outside the four big soccer centres (Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin) to take the Cup.

Although losing the cup Northern, nevertheless, became national champions when they defeated Eastern, of Auckland, 3:2 in both legs of the final of the Rothmans £1000 tourney.

An interesting facet of the second leg was that all of Northern's three goals came from penalties.

The Rothmans tourney proved a huge success, and should add a lot more interest to the game in the seasons ahead.

Ponsonby AFC won the Auckland Second Division competition, and promotion to First Division in that city's competition for 1963.

After a very successful season, including the staging of the first national championship, the NZFA is looking forward to even better things in 1963.

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PERSONAL INTRODUCTIONS

PLEASING SIGNS OF PROGRESS

By RICK BRUCE

Weekend before last I travelled to Newcastle to witness the 1962 Northern Premiership Final.

This was to be a historic match as it was the first time two lakeside teams had ever clashed in a final.

A few pleasing aspects of the game were noticable to a stranger.

The two teams marched onto the field, for instance, in true cup final tradition lead by the Royal Australian Navy Band, giving the match the "big time" atmosphere.

So much different to Sydney's idea of teams running straight out onto the field and kicking the ball about, after bowing to the crowd.

The crowd of nearly ten thousand also different to Sydney's.

Both teams fielded quite a few youngsters, a pleasing sign, too.

Short passing and intricate moves were more predominant than in previous years and altogether the standard of play has taken a big jump in the last couple of years.

The North is rich in juniors; vast coaching schemes are under way, and with coaches like Tommy Dawson around, these kids will go places.

The Northern League has a wealth of top class officials in their organisation, broadminded and progressive men who will take the code to great heights.

Later in the season two Australia Cup matches will be played in Newcastle and I strongly advise any Sydney fan thinking of going, to make the trip — you won't be disappointed.

The North is famous for its hospitality and they'll welcome you with open arms.

£70 FINE FOR CUP SHUFFLE

BENFICA, Portugal's pride, have been fined £70 by the Association for fielding a reserve team in the Cup.

Having received and accepted excellent terms for friendly matches, Benfica went on a tour of Egypt, Greece and Cyprus while the reserves played in the Cup matches — and reached the final.

However, in the final the first team took the field and made sure of the Cup by beating second division side Victoria Setubal 3:0.

Benfica is now one of the most sought after teams in Europe: their match fee is £5,000.

Coaching classes

Prague are holding a summer coaching class for boys of 14 to 18 years.

Starting in November, the classes will be held each Tuesday and Thursday nights from 5 o'clock to 7 o'clock at Sydney Athletic Field.

All boys are welcome. Details are available from Prague Secretary, Mr. Warner.

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Melbourne Round-up

Desperate battles for vital cup points

The Docherty Cup games have been full of surprises so far and the crowds have responded well to this popular competition, which this year is taking place in a different shape.

League champions Hellas were surprised by much improved Croat, who held the star-studded Greeks to a goal-less draw and a few weeks ago dealt the death blow to much fancied Wilhelmina.

Perhaps the most important battle of the next round will be Saturday's clash between Hakoah and Juventus. Both will be fighting for vital points.

George Cross, who have already qualified for the semi-finals with two clear-cut wins, will be opposed by Hellas on Sunday at Olympic Park.

Although a section of the Greek community advocated a boycott last week, both teams are likely to have their strong support roaring for them in what should be a crowd-pleaser.

However, the curtain-raiser between JUST and Polonia is the all-important game with a distinct bearing on the main match.

CROAT v. SLAVIA

Both teams have troubled League champions Hellas, but on last week's showing Slavia were most disappointing, particularly in their forward line.

They have the consolation of being able to include former Fulham star John Doherty, who was serving a one week suspension.

But it will need more than one Doherty to penetrate the very tight Croat defence, in which the brilliant Tommy Sal is the key player.

Croat is likely to select their team from the following players — Djukic, Bobedic, Briscusoe, Farrago, Carrol, Sal, Slivar, Pomahac, Bot, Rau, Lucnik Horvath and Mori.

Slavia will chose from Borotaj; McCrae, Cross, David; Glennie, Grosz, Berry, Kikas; Rambousek, Haasz, Cooke, Doherty, Angstenberger, Vada.

On paper, both look reasonably strong and a draw could be the outcome.

JUVENTUS v. HAKOAH

Both teams are still in the race for the finals and will strive hard for match points.

Whenever these rivals meet, anything can happen — both are seasoned cup exponents, neither side afraid to apply vigor.

Juventus had several below normal form last week notably Biro and Bottari.

The Italians are likely to be without skipper Reg Griggs, who received marching orders last week.

This will be a severe handicap for Juventus, despite their strong reserves.

It was noticable that both usually very reliable backs Bukkos and Paterson were rather slow on the turn and if this should be the case again, the clever Hakoah forwards will take full advantage of it.

Hakoah's Haynes has shown vastly improved form and could be the danger man.

The defence will miss Hartley, who has decided to go to Tasmania but in his place Hakoah have gained the experienced Ken Waugh.

After last week's good display against Polonia, Hakoah could emerge winners but only by a very narrow margin.

JUST v. POLONIA

Polonia were not impressive in their match with Hakoah, but are expected to lift their game this week, particularly as they still have a chance to play in the finals.

This will give the Polish team a great incentive, but they will find JUST a very hard side to beat.

JUST took the field without Marinovic last week and missed his clever scheming.

Van der Poel is a lively centre forward, but if JUST are to win, he must get the better of Polonia stopper Stan Sklarek, who is playing very well.

Mladenovic is another danger in the JUST side and he will be closely watched by the Polonia defenders.

In the Polish forward line, a great deal will depend on Jurecki and Browarski, but they are up against capable defenders.

Frank Micic is playing superbly for JUST and most of the drive comes from this brilliant player.

If he can be subdued, Polonia could win a close game.

GEORGE X v. HELLAS

The Maltese are already certain to enter the finals and may not fully xtend themselves against Hellas.

The latter, however, will be flat out to redeem themselves, particularly as they still have an outside chance of entering the finals.

But this does not mean that the Maltese will not try, because they will also want to win for prestige reasons and to please their loyal supporters.

Their half-back line of McKenna, Muscat and Binnie completely dominated the game last week and they had good support from keeper Azzopardi and full backs Sacco and Falzon.

This excellent rearguard is likely to be undisturbed this weekend and should have a say in the final outcome.

Hellas have not been at their best in the Docherty Cup so far, but are likely to pull out of their slump if Margaritis, Bedford and Smith are declared completely fit.

Xanthopoulos is suspended, but with so many good reserves on hand this should not unduly worry the Greeks.

If the clever Kamboropoulos had his shooting boots on Hellas could surprise form side George Cross and win a closely fought crowd-pleaser.

Croat surprises again

HELLAS 0 — CROAT 0

In the second game at Olympic Park on Saturday, under-rated Croat surprised League champions Hellas by holding them to a scoreless draw.

Although this match produced typical cup-tie football, the standard was not high, with Croat defenders taking the honors.

Hellas' approach work was a treat to watch, but negative play in the forward line enabled the excellent Croat defence with Bobedic, Carrol, Farago, Slivar particularly prominent, to clear their lines repeatedly.

Best for Hellas were Karpouzas, Kourkolakos, Papadoupoulos and Margaritis.

Estimated attendance for Saturday's double-header at Olympic Park was 6,500.

HAKOAH 2 — POLONIA 0

Goalscorers: Villiers, Haynes (Hakoah).

Cup-holders Polonia were defeated by the more direct Hakoah team at Olympic Park on Saturday.

Polonia played attractive mid-field football, but generally Hakoah defenders Mannering, Alexander, Adams, and Woodward were too strong for the Polish forward line, which included Jurecki and Browarski.

Villiers scored a good goal with a terrific first time shot from a precision square pass from Carmichael after 34 minutes in the first half.

Shortly before interval, the live-wire Haynes, who had been a hand-full for Stan Sklarek outraced the Polish star pivot, but Gronowski sprinted from the goal and he was first to connect with the ball which hit Haynes, and rebounded into the net for Hakoah's second goal.

GEORGE CROSS 3 — SLAVIA 0

Goalscorers: Hodgeon 2, Gibb (George Cross).

Slavia were without John Doherty, but this does not excuse the ineffectiveness of their forward line which gave the clever Maltese defence a field day.

George Cross were never fully extended and had their forwards been flat out they would have won by a greater margin. Wing halves McKenna and Binnie were in full control of the mid-field, carving out plenty of chances for the forwards.

Skipper Don Hodgeon helped himself to two goals as a result of good passes by Freddie Falzon and Campbell.

Marshall Gibb got the third, and near the end Maltese keeper Azzopardi saved a penalty taken by Slavia captain, Berry.

JUVENTUS 2 — JUST 2

Goalscorers: Bukkos, Paterson (Juventus); Grecco, Van der Poel (JUST).

Both teams had this match won and lost, both played good and bad in parts, but Juventus must be commended for fighting back and saving the game when they had only 10 players.

Their skipper, Reg Griggs, was sent off in the second half for disputing the referee's decisions

Outstanding player was Micic, who was instrumental in most of JUST's constructive football.

Bukkos, of Juventus, opened from a penalty, Grecco equalised for JUST and Van der Poel put the Yugoslavs ahead with a powerful shot, which gave the brilliant Beurcht in the Juventus goal no chance to save.

Juventus now had only 10 men but kept piling on the pressure and full back Paterson came upfield to head the ball past Yankovic to make it a drawn game.

Estimated attendance, 10,500, Olympic Park.

Competition Table

	W	D	L	F	A	P
SECTION "A"						
George X.	2	0	0	6	0	4
Slavia	1	0	1	2	4	2
S.M.-Hellas	0	1	1	1	2	1
Croat	0	1	1	0	3	1
SECTION "B"						
JUST	1	1	0	4	3	3
Hakoah	1	0	1	2	3	2
Polonia	1	0	1	2	3	2
Juventus	0	1	1	3	4	1

MELBOURNE FLASHES

● **Will Brendan Edwards, the former Hawthorn (Australian Rules) centre man, makes his soccer debut for Juventus in the Australian Cup series. Edwards is now training hard with the soccer club and Juventus officials are reported to be pleased with his progress.**

● **A Scottish newspaper report has stated that at least six players will be leaving Scotland very shortly to join State League clubs in Melbourne. No names of either players or clubs are mentioned.**

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AUSTRALIAN STAR PARADE

NOEL KENNY - Juventus, VIC.

This talented soccer player, considered the "schemer in chief" of the well balanced Juventus forward line, was born in Dublin, Eire, in 1934.

Already at an early age, the likeable Noel established himself in Irish Junior ranks and was soon snapped up by the traditional Irish First Division club Shelbourne.

It was not long before he was an accepted member of the first team but much to the famous club's regret, Noel Kenny decided to emigrate to Australia in 1956.

On his arrival in Melbourne, Noel was immediately signed up by Box Hill.

He gave excellent service to the Hillmen during his four years with the club.

It was sensational news for Victorian soccer fans when it was announced that the brainy Irishman has transferred to Juventus.

He was an instant success with Juventus in both inside forward positions but recently has also performed well at centre forward.

A perfect gentleman on and off the field, Kenny has perfect ball control and a powerful shot with both feet.

His favourite position is inside left.

He has represented Victoria as inside left and outside right as well as having played for Ireland on every occasion in the local world series since his arrival in Victoria.

Kenny was a member of the Victorian State team in the history making match against NSW at South Melbourne Cricket Ground last January, which drew a record crowd and launched the then newly formed Soccer Federation of Victoria.

Last Saturday at Olympic Park, Victoria's under 16 team defeated NSW under 16 3:2 in the Brackenberry Cup.

NSW had a 2:0 lead through goals by Longmuir and Donavan before Victoria fought back with goals by Watson 2, and Abonny.

At half time the score was 0:0.

Both teams showed that there is plenty of junior talent in both States.

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EDITORIAL

PROMOTION ROW PROMOTED

Recently it has been rumored that the Federation would "look into" Croatia's claims for promotion.

The claim is simple enough: they won the second division competition and thus qualify for an advance.

The time to object was before Croatia won the title and not now.

It also seems anomalous that suggestion can be made that a club should be forced to amalgamate with another.

Undoubtedly, Croatia's presence in the first division may create some problems considering their past "trend" with Yugal — the club they "should" amalgamate with.

However, it may be pointed out to both clubs that any disturbance at their matches, stemming from political or other backgrounds, may result in their expulsion. And that's that.

Players, officials and supporters alike will be certain to understand this and do their best to avoid it.

But keeping this issue stirred up continuously serves no purpose at all, except waking up sleeping dogs.

Promotion and relegation in NSW have been automatic, up till now, in practice if not by "law."

It may be high time that unqualified "spokesmen" stopped tampering with this "toy" after just about every season.

Clubs having won promotion on the field should not need the personal approval of every reporter or Sports writer, and even doubt as to their eligibility should not be expressed unless well-backed with facts.

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AROUND THE GLOBE

With Paul DEAN

Shocks in opening games of European Cup

FC Koln's catastrophic 1:8 defeat by FC Dundee in the first round of the European Cup has created utter gloom in German soccer circles.

For weeks before the match German newspapers wrote in a patronising fashion about Dundee, pointing out weakly that "they were not to be underrated" and "FC Koln will have to fight, not just play for victory."

Well, the victory taken for granted turned into a king-sized defeat, the biggest the German club has suffered since its beginning in 1948, when it was formed out of the amalgamation of Kolner BC and Sulz 07.

The Scots staged a blitz right at the start and scored three goals in the first 12 minutes of the match.

Before the first half was over, they added two more and made sure of a big win.

It is interesting to note that after the fourth goal, the Danish referee, Sorensen, began to mark the goals in his pocket-book, sensing a big final score which could be hard to remember.

The only German goal was scored when Dundee held an 8:0 lead, in the 72nd minute.

Real Madrid's miserable start in the European Cup was witnessed by only 44,000 people in the Barnebeu Stadium.

Holding a 2:0 lead in the 31st minute through the goals of Zocco and Gento, Madrid allowed Anderlecht to equalise before half time.

Di Stefano once again put Madrid in the lead in the 48th minute, but 10 minutes from full-time Stockmann made the score 3:3.

The crowd, once delirious at the mere sight of the white-jerseyed Madrid, booed them off the field.

Hungarian champion Vasas had little difficulty in beating Fredrikstad of Norway 4:1, after a scoreless first half.

The Norwegians, playing before their own crowd, withstood the Vasas attacks well for 58 minutes.

Then, however, a hat-trick by inside left Pal and a fourth goal by Machos sealed their fate.

Austrian Wien gave a fright to their fans in Vienna against the Finnish IFK Helsinki: with four minutes to go the score was tied at 3:3.

Then, all of a sudden, Nemec came to life and netted twice in two minutes to salvage something of Austria's reputation after a drab and low-standard match.

In the first round of the European Cup-Winners' Cup the Welsh Bangor City, a relative unknown in international soccer, surprised by beating FC Napoli 2:0.

The Italians stacked their defence from the start, playing for a narrow defeat and the Welsh took advantage of this by storming the Napoli goal incessantly.

Seville of Spain came "undone" under pressure at Glasgow against Rangers and lost 4:0.

Millar and Brand scored two goals each for Rangers against the Spaniards who in the second half irked the crowd by committing some very glaring fouls.

Ujpest of Hungary had little trouble in beating the Polish Zaglebie Sosnowiec 5:0.

Stars of the Hungarian team were internationals Solymosi, Gorocs and young right winger, Bene.

F.I.F.A.

SINCE its inception, FIFA has held 33 ordinary and three extraordinary Congresses, all but two in Europe.

The two exceptions have been on the occasions of the 1950 and 1962 World Cups in Rio and Santiago.

The next full Congress will not be held until October 1964, just before the opening of the Tokio Olympics.

ENGLAND

FOLLOWING Walter Winterbottom's resignation as the England team manager, rumors persist that a foreigner may get the job.

Those in line for the honor include Zeze Moreira of Brazil, 54, Feola of Brazil, 58, and Bela Guttmann of Hungary, 62.

The appointment of any of these would undoubtedly rock the English soccer public.

BRAZIL

PELE's return to the team of FC Santos has at once transformed a very good side into an almost unbeatable one.

Taking up his profitable partnership with Coutinho, Pepe, Mengalvio and Dorval where he left off, Pele is proving weekly that he is the World's finest player.

Another Brazilian star of legendary fame has retired: Didi, at the age of 34, decided to quit Botafogo and soccer and accepted a coaching position with Peru's Cristal de Lima.

SPAIN

Down and down goes the famous Real Madrid, even recently hailed as the world's best.

After their humble draw with Ghana (3;3) at Acra, Real lost two matches in a row in Casablanca, then surprisingly drew 3:3 with the Belgian Anderlecht in Madrid.

Now the talk is all centred on the great Alfredo Di Stefano who, at 36, is incapable of carrying the burden of a successful attack on his shoulders.

It is likely that Real will undergo a large-scale rejuvenation soon and several old stars will fall by the wayside.

CHILE

Most of Chile's optimism in a bright future has vanished following the departure of team manager Fernando Riera for Portugal's Benfica.

It was generally thought that Chile would soon be able to challenge the very best for top honors.

However, this seems difficult without the guiding hand of the masterful Riera.

ITALY

No wonder they call him the "Magician" — Inter's Helenio Herrera always turns up with something extraordinary.

His latest gimmick is a serious application to the Italian FA to have Brazilian Jair da Costa recognised as an "oriundo" — a player of Italian descent, thus allowed to play for Inter on the top of its quota of two foreigners.

The news sent the whole Italy into hysteria: Da Costa is a full-blooded Negro.

However, Herrera promised to "prove" that the boy had in Italian grandmother and claimed that papers to that effect "were on the way".

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THE GREAT Italian sports daily, La Gazetta dello Sport, of Milan, recently published an interesting survey of attendances at Italian league matches.

According to this more than 35 million people watched first division matches in the past six years.

During all this time the best drawcards have been AC Milan and Inter Milan: last season they drew a total of 715,000 and 782,000 respectively.

The average weekly attendance last season was 19,000 a match, a drop of about 1,000 on 1961.

WEST GERMANY

WITH teutonic precision, the Germans have analysed all aspects of their World Cup matches on their return.

One such statistic has revealed that the average player lost 5 lbs. weight during the four World Cup matches.

The most was lost by veteran centre half Erhardt and wing half Szymaniak: 11 lbs. each.

PORTUGAL

Portugal's government has finally introduced a law permitting professional soccer.

Some of the country's leading clubs, like Benfica, Belenenses, Sporting, FC Porto and Leixoes will be relieved of their worries for they have been paying their players for years...

EUROPEAN LEAGUE RESULTS

European Nations' Cup: Iceland v. Eire 1:1 (Reykjavik; first leg 2:4, Eire qualifies for II. round).

Asian Games, final: India v. South Korea 1:0 (Djakarta).

European Cup, I round: first leg: IF Fredrikstad (Norway) v. Vasas (Hungary) 1:4; Austria Wien v. IFK Helsinki (Finland) 5:3; Polonia Bytom v. Panathinaikos (Greece) 2:1. Dynamo Bucarest v. Galatsaray (Turkey) 1:1; AC Milan v. Luxembourg 8:0; Servette (Switz.) v. Feyenoord (Holl.) 1:3.

European Cup Winners' Cup, I. round, first leg: Ujpest (Hungary) v. Z. Sosnowiecs (Poland) 5:0.

Fair Cities' Cup, final replayed: Athletico Madrid v. Fiorentina 3:0 (Stuttgart).

Friendly club matches: FC Torino v. Standard Liege 2:0; Stockholm XI. v. Benfica 3:2; AC Milan v. Boca Juniors (Arg). 2:2; Inter Milan v. Benfica 3:2; Inter Milan v. San Lorenzo (Arg.) 1:0.

AUSTRIA: (III. round): SVS Linz v. Klagenfurt 0:1; Simmering v. GAK 4:2; Admira v. Wacker 1:2; WAC v. Rapid 1:2; Schwechat v. Vienna 2:0; Wiener SK v. FK Austria 1:0; Salzburg v. LASK 1:2. — Competition leaders: Wiener SK and Schwechat 5, Admira, WAC, LASK 4 pts. each.

FRANCE (V. round): Reims v. Marseille 1:0; Valenciennes v. Strasbourg 4:0; Nancy v. Sedan 2:0; Angers v. Lens 2:2; Stade v. Nimes 4:2; Grenoble v. Rennes 1:1; Monaco v. Bordeaux 0:2; Montpellier v. Racing P. 4:1. — Comp. leaders: Bordeaux 8, Reims Rennes 7 pts.

HOLLAND (III. round): Blaue Wit v. Feyenoord 1:0; Enschede v. Volenwijckers 4:0; Sparta v. Utrecht 5:1; Maastricht v. Tilburg 4:1; Groningen v. Eindhoven 1:1; Breda v. Geleen 0:2; Den Haag v. Heracles 1:0; Volendam v. Ajax 4:2. — Comp. leaders: Geleen, Sparta 5, Enschede, Maastricht Volendam 4 pts. each.

SWITZERLAND (III. ROUND): Basel v. Lucern 1:1; Biel v. Grenchen 3:1; Ch. de Fonds v. YB Bern 2:1; Chiasso v. FC Zurich 0:6; Grasshoppers v. Servette 2:4; Lausanne v. YF Zurich 6:0; Sion v. Lugano 7:1. — Comp. leaders: Lausanne 6, Servette, Ch. de Fonds 5 pts.

YUGOSLAVIA (IV. round): Sloboda v. Velez 1:1; Zeljeznizar v. Partizan 2:1; Vojvodina v. Dinamo 2:3; Rijeka v. Hajduk 4:0; Buducnost v. Radnicki 3:1; Red Star v. Novisad 4:2; OFK Belg. v. Sarajevo 5:3. Comp. leaders: OFK Belgrade, Dinamo 7, Red Star 6, Partizan, Zeljeznicar and Sarajevo 5 pts. each.

POLAND (V. Round): Arkonia v. Gornik 1:3; Polonia v. Lechia 3:0; Ruch v. Zaglebie 1:1; Stal v. Pogon 2:1; Lech v. LKS 0:0; Gwardia v. Wisla 1:0. — Comp. leaders: Gornik 10, Polonia 8, Zaglebie 6, Stal 6.

GRAND FINAL SOUVENIR

All about goals

The aim of soccer is to score goals and the aim of this article is to trace them.

By studying the scorers of the Sydney competition one can stumble upon some interesting facts.

In some teams the burden of goal scoring was carried by only a few players, while in others it was spread around quite generously.

In Auburn, 14 players shared the team's goals and of these eight scored only one or two.

The smallest number of goal-scorers in any one team is to be found in Bankstown: six.

Only one team had at least three players who managed to score 10 goals or more: Budapest (Galambos 20, Schauman 12 and Medina 11).

Several players scored for more than one team in 1962 due to mid-season transfers, since modified.

These were:

H. Ninaus (Prague-Hakoah), R. Hoare (Prague-Croatia), Smith (Canterbury-P. Hellenic), Hrncir (Hakoah-Prague), Bilbey (Auburn-Polonia-NS.) and Brownlee (Gladesville-Sth. Coast United).

The ambition of every forward — a hat-trick — was realised by many forwards.

Canterbury's John Watkiss, however, went one better: he scored four goals apiece in two matches.

Wentzel (APIA) and Galambos (Budapest) scored three hat-tricks each, while these achieved it once:

Jelisavcic (Yugal), Amigo (Canterbury), Jaros, Saghi and Ninaus (all Hakoah), Van der Gaag and Scheinflug (Prague), Smith and Yates (Bankstown), Haniotis (P. Hellenic) and Medina (Budapest).

Apart from his hat-trick, Amigo did not score any other goal at all.

APIA holds the 1962 competition record for the number of converted penalties — six.

All were scored by Leo Baumgartner, who thus also "wins" the individual penalty-title.

Auburn and Pan Hellenic scored five, Budapest, Yugal and Polonia four goals each from penalties.

Strangely, Gladesville is the only team that failed to score even once from spot-kicks.

Here is the list of the penalty-takers with the scores:

Baumgartner (APIA) 6; Van Gaalen (Auburn) 5; Pilot (Polonia), Vasvary (Budapest), Bosklopper (Bankstown) and Wood (Sth. Coast U.) 3; Scheinflug (Prague), Patrinos (Pan Hellenic), Mavro (P. Hellenic), Nincevic and Csardas (both Yugal) 2; D. Brown and Corrie (both Canterbury, Hrncir (then Hakoah), Saghi (Hakoah), Haniotis (P. Hell.), Czubala (Polonia) and Massey (Budapest) 1.

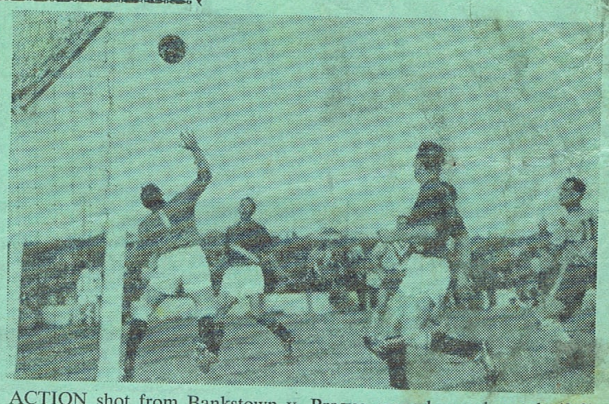
Seven players scored an own-goal in the season:

Bond (Prague), Kearns and Handorf (Hakoah), Toussis (P. Hell.), J. Harris (S. Coast), Folwell (Gl'ville) and Csardas (Yugal).

Of these no less than three scored in a match against Budapest: Kearns, Handorf and Csardas.

PAUL DEAN

JUST MISSED OUT



ACTION shot from Bankstown v. Prague second round match (2:2). Both teams just missed out on the semi-finals, Bankstown having finished sixth and Prague fifth.

Preliminary final ends in 1-1 draw

YUGAL: K. Spiegel 5; F. Aranyi 3, **J. Mucillo 5;** L. Lazarevic 4, **M. Stojanovic 5,** F. Dunaj 4; H. Ringhoff 4, E. Schwarz 3, A. Nincevic 2, I. Milankovic 2, S. Pacanin 4.

Coach: T. Jelisavcic. **Total: 41**

BUDAPEST: E. Grosz 5, H. Stegbauer 4, J. Gergely 3; A. Hetherington 3, **P. Banicevic 5, T. Zuckermann 5;** C. Kangyar 3, E. Massey 4, J. Galambos 2 (injured), J. Medina 3, L. Schauman 2.

Coach: J. Vlasits. **Total: 39.**

Goalscorers: S. Pacanin 44 min. for Yugal; E. Massey 68 min., penalty for Budapest.

Referee: F. Sbisa. **Crowd:** 15,752.

The Sydney first division preliminary final resulted in a draw for the second consecutive year when Yugal and Budapest tied 1:1 at the Sports Ground on Sunday, before a crowd of 15,752.

Last season Prague and Hakoah played a scoreless draw at Wentworth Park before the latter went on to take the grand final.

The huge crowd exceeded expectations and again proved beyond any doubt the tremendous interest shown on the public in the final series.

That two clubs not generally considered as top drawcards could attract such a bumper crowd speaks volumes for the popularity of soccer in Sydney.

Anyone present last Sunday will agree that the match was a thrilling spectacle despite some spiteful incidents in the second half.

Although never reaching great heights, the game was packed with excitement and the crowd was at fever-pitch, particularly in the second half when the ball continuously went from goal to goal in series of nerve-tingling incidents.

Budapest attacked from the start and looked like scoring a quick goal, when the Yugal defence was caught flat-footed.

Half-fit Galambos, however, pulled a muscle after 10 minutes and became a passenger throughout, while Schauman again missed easy chances.

Weathering the storm, and vocally encouraged by the majority of the crowd — pulling for the "underdog", Yugal started their offensive and wingers Ringhoff and Pacanin tested the opposing defence, but Budapest still had most of the play in the first half.

Grosz, in the Budapest goal, was playing much better than against Hakoah in the semi-final and he brought the crowd to its toes with two magnificent high saves.

Just before half-time Pacanin "wriggled" his way past Stegbauer to give Yugal a rather flattering first half lead.

After lemons play was more even as both teams threw everything into it, and Budapest equalised after Schauman was brought down by Aranyi.

Budapest missed open goals on two occasions, but Yugal, too, were dangerous through their wings and the crowd roared its disapproval when Pacanin and Nincevich were brought down in the penalty area.

However, referee Sbisa, who did not have a very happy afternoon, ruled a fair "sliding tackle" and play went on — but tempers became frayed.

Dunaj, who did not have a very good game — for him that is — was injured, and left the field twice, while Massey nursed an injured arm throughout the second half.

A draw was a fair result: Budapest created more goalscoring chances but missed them all; Yugal did not have a great game but fought tenaciously and were unlucky to hit the bar twice, with Grosz beaten.

Sunday's crowd brought this season's attendance for the semi-finals and final, not including the replay, to just on 40,000, compared with last season's record 34,400.

— LOU GAUTIER

PAUL BARCLAY CHAIRS THE SUPPORTERS FORUM

This weekend, when two successful teams are contesting the supreme honor of the grand final, let us spare a thought for the less fortunate.

Our roving reporter interviewed some anonymous barrackers on "The Hill" last Sunday, and came back with some interesting comments.

AUBURN SUPPORTER: You wait till next year. We have a young fellow named Quested who will develop into a top-liner with more experience.

A.P.I.A. SUPPORTER: How do they expect us to win a semi-final if it is played on the Sports Ground? We've never won a match there in six years of Federation football.

BANKSTOWN FAN: We stayed with the leaders for most of the competition; obviously the season is too long.

PRAGUE BARRACKER: Our team didn't make the finals, but Jaros, Ninaus, Saghi, Baumgartner, Schwartz and Ringhoff played in three of the four teams which did qualify. We are quietly proud!

GLADESVILLE STALWART: The team can't be expected to play constructive football on these level well-grassed pitches. It is unfair! We should be allowed to play all our matches at home.

PAN HELLENIC FAN: Mavro nearly won the car, we beat Hakoah twice, and Hellas won in Melbourne. The rest of the season is unimportant.

SOUTH COASTER: At least we won the Wollongong carnival in February. After all, that is the major football prize of the season.

CANTERBURY FOLLOWER: No comment! And don't quote me!

POLONIA NORTH SIDE DIEHARD: While it is true that our team didn't always play well, it must not be forgotten that they played better on some days than on others!

There was mercifully one thought in common among all these barrackers.

Namely, that the whole administrative machinery of the Federation plus a Machiavellian Referee's Appointments Board were directing their full venom against the barracker's own particular club.

This works in the following manner:

All the "national" clubs are convinced that their own club is directly and malevolently persecuted.

The "district" clubs, on the other hand, are united in the knowledge that the whole thing is run by, and for the benefit of, the foreigners.

So, on this point at least, they are all united! Downtrodden persecuted and discriminated against.

But I bet they will be there again next year barracking for their teams, cheering their colors, hoping for better luck.

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Day of JUDGEMENT

The final contest is about to begin at the **forum.**

In a moment two crack detachments of **gladiators** will engage in a mortal duel for ultimate supremacy.

In a moment each retinue will pit its total potential — muscles, blood, sweat, armour and courage, against the whole might of the other side.

In a moment the cream of youth will stand up and fight till the end, in a no-beg-pardons battle for the survival of the fittest.

To earn the right to appear on the **arena** the two detachments had to successfully engage in 22 minor skirmishes, then go through one or more major sudden-death combats.

It was a murderous campaign. Casualty lists of the detachments rose as their masters sent man after man against enemy's deadly spears, axes and scythes.

The battles have taken their toll, claiming the bravest and leaving the fittest to survive.

Here are the survivors! Decimated but full of spirit, bleeding but patched up and rearing to go, just waiting for the clarion call once more.

To give God what is God's, and Caesar what is rightly his . . .

And when the day is done, one retinue of ten plus leader will have survived, and an equal number will have fallen, to await the gathered **plebs'** famous thumb sign, one way or the other . . .

Ave Caesar, morituri Te salutant! . . .

But when Archangel's trumpet shall sound for Resurection, those who have fallen will rise from the dead once more to meet those who survived, in preparation for the "Judgement Day 1963".

Tad (Cicero) Targ.

"I know it wasn't much of a wedding anniversary treat for you, but I didn't realise the reserves were playing!"

Grand Fi

HAKOAH or - - BUDAPEST?

And so Sunday is grand final day, gala occasion of Sydney soccer and the culmination, even if not the official end of the season.

Past history shows us that the occasion usually manages to inspire teams and crowds alike and so we are in for a real soccer treat.

The presence of the two teams, Hakoah and Budapest will see to that.

Hakoah in recent weeks has reached its top form and, just like towards the end of last season, seems to be moving in top gear.

Everything is in Hakoah's favor on Sunday as their players are all fit, while their opponents, with two hard matches behind them in four days, have several key players injured.

The question is whether a week's spell will affect Hakoah's form adversely.

Last year Canterbury slipped into the Grand Final from the semis, while Hakoah had to get past Prague in two hard matches.

As a result, the rested Canterbury played out of form and lost its sharpness — and the match.

Taking the team as a whole, Hakoah at present gives the impression of a very well b playing side.

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SYDNEY SPORTS GROUND, SEPTEMBER 23, 3

Players pictured above, in their respective positions (from right to left-hand side of each half of the field):

HAKOAH: H. Wenzl (goal); V. Mach, J. Aird (backs); R. Kearns, A. Handorf, G. Chaldi (halves); K. Jaros, A. Blutsch, R. Levi, H. Ninaus, H. Dolezal (forwards).

BUDAPEST: E. Grosz (goal); H. Stegbauer, J. Ger A. Hetherington, P. Banicevic, T. Zuckerman (halves); E. Massey, J. Galambos, J. Medina, L. Schauman (for

PEN PORTRAITS

HAKOAH

H. NINAUS

HEINZ WENZL, 24, goalkeeper (Austrian) — Australia's most spectacular custodian. Played for Austria Salzburg before joining Hakoah early last year. Represented NSW twice.

VICTOR MACH, 29, right full-back (Austrian) — formerly of WAC Vienna. An "attacking" defender.

JOCK AIRD, 33, left full-back (Scottish) — Represented Scotland in 1954 World Cup Finals while playing for English First Division club Burnley. Also capped for New Zealand and NSW.

RON KEARNS, 26, right half (New Zealander) — New Zealand International and one of Sydney's best "clubmen". Can always be relied upon to play well.

ADOLF HANDORF, 26, centre-half (Austrian) — Played Austrian First Division soccer with Wiener Neustadt. Australia's only titled footballer; Handorf is a baron.

GERRY CHALDI, 26, left-half (Israeli) — Israeli International and Hakoah skipper. A tigerish inspiration to his team. Won Israeli Championship with Hapoel Pakhatkiva in 1960.

KARL JAROS, 30, outside-right (Austrian) — A full Austrian "A" international. Toured Australia with his former club, FK Austria, in 1957. Appearing in his 4th consecutive Grand Final. Equipped with faultless technique Jaros, is one of the best players to settle in Australia.

ADOLF BLUTSCH, 24, inside-right (Austrian) — Switched from the half-back line with great success this year. A key player in his team's version of the 4-2-4 system. Played in the Austrian "Under 23" national team while a member of FK Austria. Was rated as one of Austria's best prospects before his arrival in Sydney.

RAFFI LEVI, 24, centre-forward (Israeli) — The former idol of Israeli soccer, he played eight times for his country. A brilliant, hard-working schemer, who is now displaying the class which gained him international success. Could be the man of the match. Represented NSW

HERBERT NINAUS, 25, inside-left (Austrian) — Another full International Represented Austria twice in 1958. Transfered from Prague in the middle of this season. On his day can score goals galore from any angle. Boasting Sydney's most dangerous headers he has played countless times for the State.

HEINZ DOLEZAL, 23, outside-left (Austrian) — Although a former member of famous, First Division club, FK Austria is only starting to show evidence of his natural ability. Played most of the season with the reserves.

Reserve:

ANDREAS SAGHI, 26, outside or inside right (Hungarian) — Would have been a "certainty" had he not sustained an injury five weeks ago. His participation will only depend on a last minute fitness test.

BUDAPEST

ERNO GROSZ, goalkeeper (Hungarian) aged 24. Left Budapest in 1956, came to Australia the following year and to Sydney in January 1962. Previously played in Adelaide and Melbourne, gained State caps in both places. Agile, safe but daring.

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HERBERT STEGBAUER, right fullback (Austrian), aged 19. Came to Australia two years ago from Vienna where he played in the junior team of famous FK Austria-Wien. Promoted to Budapest first team from reserves half-way through the season yet is now regarded as "find" of the team.

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JULIUS GERGELY, left fullback (Hungarian), aged 24. Came to Australia in 1957 and first played in Budapest-Adelaide before coming to Sydney in 1960. Last year gained NSW 'B'-team cap, this season has been struggling to find form.

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has done well grand final ng of injuries tches.

They can thank for this their newly acquired determination, a pleasing new characteristic of this often capricious team.

Yet it is most doubtful whether sheer guts alone will be enough to win this match.

J. POMPOR (reserve)

Grand Finals are usually won by the fitter team, the one that manages to scrape through the preliminaries with the smallest number of injuries.

Budapest's defence is fair and their main hopes lie in the wing-half pair.

The forwards, if fit, can rattle the Hakoah defenders as they did two weeks ago.

R. NEAL (reserve)

The match may not be a great spectacle with superb standards; cup finals seldom are and this can be regarded as a cup tie.

However, it is more than likely that the expected

A. SAGHI (reserve)

record crowd will see a match played in a lively tempo and excitement will compensate for lack of brilliant football.

On form, Hakoah's win must be expected, partly because they are in great form and partly because they are fit.

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FINAL REPLAY RESULT

Budapest 3, d. Yugal 2.

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gely (backs); C. Kangyar, vards).

YUGAL goalkeeper Kurt Spiegel seems to pray in anguish while APIA's Paul Turella shows him some simple folk dancing steps in the first semi-final two weeks ago. In the background Yugal half Lazarevic seems amused over the scene. Yugal won 3:2 and proceeded to the final against B'pest.

V. WENTZEL TOP SCORER

APIA's Vernon Wentzel, equal second last year, has won the Marcell Nagy Trophy for Sydney's leading goalscorer.

Wentzel scored 28 goals in 22 competition matches, equalling Les Schauman's 1961 winning tally.

Schauman scored only 12 goals this year.

Wim Van der Gaag, who scored 21 goals to be runner-up, notched nine of them in SCU's colors.

H. Ninaus, the 1960 winner and Federation goal-scoring record-holder, split his 15 between Prague and Hakoah.

Last year four players broke the 20-goal mark for the competition, this year only three could do so.

V. WENTZEL (APIA)	28
W. Van der Gaag (Prg).	21
J. Galambos (Budapst)	20
T. Jelisavcic (Yugal)	19
L. Baumgartner (APIA)	16
A. Nincevic (Yugal)	16
H. Ninaus (Hakoah)	15
T. Yates (Bankstown)	15
L. Scheinflug (Prague)	14
J. Wa kiss (Canterbury)	13
L. Schauman (B'pest)	12
W. Pilot (Polonia-N.S.)	12
K. Jaros (Hakoah)	11
J. Medina (Budapest)	11
C. Perkins (P. Hellenic)	11
B. Salisbury (Canterb.)	10

M. NAGY CUP

To celebrate his 70th birthday, Marcell Nagy, publisher of Soccer World inaugurated a trophy last year, to be given to the leading goalscorer each season.

The first winner of Marcell Nagy Cup was Les Schaumann of Budapest, who topped the goal-scoring list last year.

This year's winner, Vernon Wentzel of APIA, will be presented with his Cup by Marcell Nagy at the Grand Final.

With Vernon's coming departure home to South Africa, we hope the Cup will be a fitting memento of his achievements while in Sydney.

We wish him "Bon voyage" and a speedy return to Sydney.

Mavro "Top star"

Angelo Mavropoulos (Mavro) is Soccer World's "Top Star" for 1962.

"Stars", ranging from one to six, were awarded throughout the 22 First Division competition matches and to get the "player of the year" the stars awarded are divided by the number of matches played.

Players must have participated in at least 16 matches to be considered thus Yugal's Ferdo Dunaj was not in the running, as he only played 12 premiership games.

Pan Hellenic's brilliant representative half back won narrowly from top centre halves F. Van Gaalen, also runner-up in 1961, and J. Marston.

Last year's winner Jim Kelly finished in fifth place, preceded by Erwin Ninaus.

Last season 33 players averaged more than four stars, but only 18 achieved it this year.

Jim Kelly's winning figure, in 1961, was 4.875 and six other players bettered Mavro's 1962 winning average.

Mavro, Van Gaalen, E. Ninaus, Kelly, Lord, Tousis and Sherwin are the only players who figure in both last season's and this year's placings of 4-plus average.

In our next week's issue we will publish the placings of all players who have averaged four stars or more, and the number of matches played.

PREVIOUS RESULTS

FIRST GRADE

1957: Auburn 4 Canterbury 3 (Crowd: 8,800).
1958: Canterbury 2 Auburn 1 (Crowd 8,100).
1959: Prague 3 APIA 2 (Crowd: 12,463).
1960: Canterbury 5 Prague 2 (Crowd: 17,872).
1961: Hakoah 4 Canterbury 1 (Crowd: 18,432).

SECOND GRADE WINNERS

1957: Canterbury
1958: Hakoah
1959: Canterbury
1960: APIA
1961: Prague

THIRD GRADE WINNERS

1957: Canterbury
1958: Bankstown
1959: APIA
1960: North-Side EPT
1961: Auburn

"Stand there—you can be the second goal-post!"

Rick Bruce's "historic" survey

Past results prove little, perhaps, but if history repeats itself, Hakoah will lose on Sunday and B'pest will become champions for 1962.

Here is why:

● Hakoah is favorite; in three out of five previous finals the underdog has won.

● No team has won the title two years in succession.

● On three occasions in the past the holders have been runners up the following year:

Auburn, winners in 1957, were runners-up in 1958; Prague, winners in 1959, were runners-up in 1960, and Canterbury, winners in 1960, were runners-up in 1961.

And — depending again on history — Budapest will win by a three goal margin.

As the first three finals were odd goal affairs, and the last two were won by three-goal margins, everything points to a three-goal win for B'pest, which would make up a unique double hat-trick (and keep our records intact, — just for the records...).

LOU GAUTIER'S STATISTICS . . .

● Hakoah's Karl Jaros is playing in his fourth consecutive grand final — in 1959 and 1960 under Prague colors and 1961-62 as Hakoah coach.

● Prague and APIA, in 1959, are the only two clubs in Federation history which finished first and second in the competition to play in a grand final.

● Prague, also in 1959, is the only Federation premier to have won a grand final. Auburn were third in the competition proper, Canterbury second and third, and Hakoah, in 1961, finished third.

● This will only be the second grand final where the third place-getter in the premiership is not present.

● Every Hakoah player has already had the honor of taking part in a grand final except reserve Dolezal.

MINOR GRADES LINE - UPS

SECOND GRADE — 1.15 P.M.

BUDAPEST v. CANTERBURY

M. MAZZINA	1	M. LEMON
M. SCHAEFFER	2	J. DOUGAN
N. BRISBY	3	N. SLATER
E. DYER	4	J. GEPPERT
D. BUCHANAN	5	I. O'REILLY
G. WEGMANN	6	J. CAPELL
A. HILLHOUSE	7	W. TRAVERS
J. VASVARY	8	B. THORPE
R. FLETT	9	J. MOORE
T. URE	10	C. LORENZO
A. JENSEN	11	D. ROWE

THIRD GRADE — 11.45 P.M.

HAKOAH v. STH. COAST U.

J. NOVAK	1	P. NUELL
F. WALDMAN	2	J. GIBSON
J. SMALL	3	J. PITTAWAY
R. McKNIGHT	4	A. CONLON
C. THOMSON	5	J. PRATT
A. COUTTS	6	W. AITKEN
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M. BELL	8	R. TELFER
T. SIOU	9	W. BANKS
J. CLARK	10	A. NOTHER
G. LICHTNER	11	J. FREEME

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CHARLES KANGYAR, right winger (Hungarian), aged 25. Joined Budapest in 1960 from Corrimal, has played in several positions including centre half. Left Hungary in 1957; before that played as junior in Ujpest.

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EDUARDO MASSEY, inside right (Argentinian), aged 29. Came to Australia in January from Spain where for some years played in several top teams including Real Oviedo, Sabadell and Belenenses (Portugal). A brilliant ball player with superb speed and piercing passes, Massey has been chiefly responsible for the "new-look" of the Budapest attack.

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JOHN GALAMBOS, centre forward (Hungarian), aged 24. Played junior soccer in Honved Budapest until 1957, has been with Budapest SC for almost five years. During this time has been consistently one of Sydney's top scorers, gained full NSW cap this year but had to withdraw because of injury. A hungry goal-getter with dashing speed.

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JUAN MEDINA, inside left (Spaniard), aged 25. Stems from Las Palmas, came to Budapest two years ago from Germany. Capable of brilliant displays on his day, deadly in front of the goal: he is the team's best shot with either foot. Can work tirelessly but also prone to 'nursing' the ball too long.

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LES SCHAUMAN, left winger (Hungarian), aged 25. Has been with Budapest for five years through bad and good days, won and lost matches on his own. A very talented forward with immaculate ball-control who could have reached even much greater heights but for his moody outlook on the game.

by Ted Targ — from the sidelines

ONE MAN'S MEAT . . .

The finalists have done it again, a drawn game for the second successive year.

This state of affairs may be O.K. — gate wise — with the Management Committee, and surely is a financial blessing to the two clubs, it may even be a slight boost for "uncle Marcell's (Nagy)" cheque book, but have you ever stopped to think what it all means to poor little me?

Well, I'll tell you. This paper is, normally finished — signed, sealed and ready for delivery — by Wednesday night.

On Thursday, you buy it from your newsagent in nearly every capital city in Australia.

But not this week. This week we first have to wait for the result of the replay — if there is a result (as am writing the match has not been played yet), then prepare a preview, a special Grand-Final line-up, with pictures and pen-portraits of players, attend to countless other items, put it all together, correct proofs, all at night and early morning — then . . . go straight to work from there.

What have I done to deserve all this ?

It seems everything in this country usually goes against a poor New Australian . . .

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I am not complaining, mind you. It's a wonderful country for . . . Ilsa, John, Leo, Tania and a couple (of millions) other migrants.

But it is a miserable place under the sun for soccer paper editors of foreign extraction come grand final time . . .

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As I said — I am not complaining, but I'd shoot the 10 forwards just the same. Group grave — a specialty. Amen.

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The above comments were dedicated to the referee. However, in the course of our normal domestic supervision, they were censored as usual by the washer-woman . . .

Here's what's left of it. As you notice it's a clean comment and one that you will be proud to show to your children.

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HOW TEAMS FARED IN COMPETITION

ALL MATCHES PLAYED - FIRST DIVISION

FEDERATION FIRST DIVISION 1962		Budapest	Hakoah	A.P.I.A.	Yugal	Prague	Bankstown	Pan Hellenic	Sth. Coast U.	Auburn	Gladesville	Canterbury	Polonia-N.S.
1. Budapest	(7.)	‡	2:1	2:1	3:4	3:3	2:3	1:3	3:1	0:1	5:3	1:1	5:3
2. Hakoah	(3.)	3:0	‡	6:2	6:3	0:0	1:0	0:2	3:0	3:0	4:1	2:1	0:0
3. A.P.I.A.	(6.)	2:5	3:0	‡	5:1	1:4	2:4	5:0	5:0	5:0	2:1	5:1	4:1
4. Yugal	(-)	4:4	4:3	1:0	‡	4:4	1:4	1:5	2:4	3:2	3:1	3:2	1:1
5. Prague	(1.)	2:4	1:1	1:2	1:3	‡	3:2	5:4	1:5	3:2	4:0	4:3	4:0
6. Bankstown	(8.)	0:0	1:3	0:1	1:3	2:2	‡	0:2	4:3	5:2	1:0	1:0	5:1
7. Pan Hellenic	(4.)	2:3	2:0	2:2	0:3	3:0	0:2	‡	2:0	2:0	1:2	2:7	6:2
8. Sth. Coast U.	(10.)	3:4	0:3	1:3	0:2	2:1	4:1	4:2	‡	1:0	2:1	2:0	2:1
9. Auburn	(9.)	2:3	2:3	2:5	2:2	2:3	2:0	2:1	3:1	‡	2:0	4:2	3:5
10. Gladesville	(11.)	0:2	1:0	2:2	3:2	0:4	0:2	2:1	1:1	2:2	‡	2:0	0:0
11. Canterbury	(2.)	2:6	0:2	2:2	1:2	2:2	1:5	0:3	1:1	5:2	5:0	‡	3:3
12. Polonia-N.S.	(5.)	1:3	1:3	2:6	1:3	1:3	3:2	1:1	0:4	1:3	3:1	1:5	‡

FINAL, COMPREHENSIVE TABLE - First Div.

		HOME						AWAY						TOTAL					
		W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1. Budapest	(7.)	5	2	4	27	24	12	8	2	1	34	21	18	13	3	5	61	45	30
2. Hakoah	(3.)	8	2	1	28	9	18	5	1	5	19	17	11	13	3	6	47	26	29
3. A.P.I.A.	(6.)	8	—	3	39	17	16	5	3	3	26	21	13	13	3	6	65	38	29
4. Yugal	(-)	5	3	3	27	30	13	7	1	3	28	23	15	12	4	6	55	53	28
5. Prague	(1.)	6	1	4	29	26	13	4	5	2	26	20	13	10	6	6	55	46	26
6. Bankstown	(8.)	5	2	4	20	17	12	6	—	5	25	19	12	11	2	9	45	36	24
7. Pan Hellenic	(4.)	5	1	5	22	21	11	5	1	5	24	21	11	10	2	10	46	42	22
8. Sth. Coast U.	(10.)	7	—	4	21	18	14	3	2	6	20	25	8	10	2	10	41	43	22
9. Auburn	(9.)	5	1	5	26	25	11	2	1	8	14	30	5	7	2	13	40	55	16
10. Gladesville	(11.)	4	4	3	13	16	12	1	—	10	10	32	2	5	4	3	23	48	14
11. Canterbury	(2.)	2	4	5	22	28	8	2	1	8	22	27	5	4	5	13	44	55	13
12. Polonia-N.S.	(5.)	2	1	8	15	34	5	1	4	6	17	33	6	3	5	14	32	67	11

SOUTH COAST'S TEAM TITLE

South Coast United's three teams in First, Second and Third grade have totalled 82 competition points.

Thus S.C.U. takes over the unofficial club championship, mainly through its strong reserve teams, particularly the Third Grade.

Hakoah is second while Budapest can only manage a third place although its First and Second team emerged as Federation Premiers.

Canterbury's minor teams allow it to share third billing despite the catastrophic season by the firsts.

Polonia-N.S., this year's relegated team, is also last on the following table:

	Points	
Sth. Coast Utd.	82	(64)
Hakoah	80	(69)
Budapest	79	(44)
Canterbury	79	(80)
Prague	71	(99)
APIA	70	(76)
Pan Hellenic	62	(54)
Bankstown	61	(80)
Gladesville	58	(44)
Auburn	55	(77)
Yugal	46	(*)
Polonia-N.S.	44	(64)

Points gained last year are bracketed.

*Last year in Second Division.

FINAL'S RESULTS
FIRST DIVISION

3rd grade: Prague v. Canterbury 2:1.

2nd grade: Canterbury v. Prague 4:3.

1st grade: Budapest v. Yugal 1:1 (Sunday)

SECOND DIVISION

2nd grade: Croatia v. Melita Eagles 5:2.

1st grade: Corinthians v. Balgownie 2:0.

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STANDARD PENAL CODE IS URGENT NEED

If you hit your neighbor on the head with a sledge-hammer and he happens to pass away, you know exactly what awaits you.

By PAUL DEAN

You also know what is the punishment for stealing a car, causing public nuisance, robbing the Blind's Institute and pestering little girls in parks.

Should you, however, sill persist with these habits of yours, you must be aware of the fine or gaol sentence that will be dished out.

In soccer it's different. Not better, no even worse, just different.

There nobody seems to have the slightest idea which offences and infringements will go unpunished and which will have serious consequences.

The past few years have proved that players may receive entirely different suspension for the same misdemeanours or the same suspensions for wastly different sins.

It certainly appears as though the Federation's judiciary committee meted out punishment according to their mood, the position of the stars and other important factors.

We have seen vicious fouls "punished" by suspended sentences for which in Europe a player would get three months.

We have also seen first offenders receive four weeks and "repeaters" receive nothing — for exactly the same sort of fouling.

Spitting at the opponents, giving cheek to the referee, dragging him by the arm and other delicacies are viewed inconsequently by the committee.

Over the years more bets have been placed in Sydney on the outcome of disciplinary cases than on the results of the weekend matches.

In fact, it has become one of the great pastimes of many fans to anticipate the verdicts of the committee.

It has been all good, clean fun — but maybe it's time to exclaim: stop laughing, this is serious.

Most clubs and thousands of fans would dearly love to see the establishing of a sort of soccer penal code, listing all the offences and their penalties.

We should know by now whether slashing out at an opponent during a match is "worth" one week, two weeks, a month or maybe just a contract from Sydney Stadiums Ltd.

A criminal knows that he will receive two to eight years for armed robbery.

Guesswork has been eliminated from the operation of the criminal courts and neither the accused nor the prosecution haggle about it.

Maybe the summer recess, no matter how brief, would present an opportunity to establish a long overdue code for the various offences on and off the field.

Players and officials should know exactly what they may expect for misdemeanour.

This code then could be made official by the Council, approved by the Australian Federation and sent out to all those concerned.

This is exactly how disciplinary committees work in every developed soccer country.

It's about time we, too, stopped following the practice of the good old "muddling through" and laid down the law in writing.

WATCH THIS BOY - No. 7

A. TUNKS - Toongabbie U-14

This lad has been playing for Toongabbie since 1957 as a right half.

He has represented the Granville district as right half on two occasions, as an U/12 and U/14.

His ball control is excellent and he is a very good attacking wing-half, very quick on recovery and always capable of giving his forwards a feast of the ball.

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After a trip to Adelaide with his team, he and the rest of the boys will be coached through the summer every Wednesday and every third Sunday will be taken to the beach for more coaching.

His idols at present are W. Tamandl and K. Jaros.

His ambitions is to play with one of the top teams in Sydney, playing the continental style.

OUTSTANDING RESPONSE TO COACHING COURSES

By KEITH GILMOUR

Over 200 team managers, coaches, and players have enrolled for the Juniors Association first three closed season coaching courses.

Biggest response is from the Bankstown area, where over 100 persons are expected to begin the preliminary course.

Further members will be accepted by the district secretary, Mr. Phil. Sleap, 709-1399.

The course which began on Wednesday, at Kent Road Marsfield (North Ryde) had about 60, starters from the Gladesville-Hornsby F.A.

Additional groups are joining this course from Western Suburbs, Northern Suburbs, and Kuring-gai Associations.

At Manly, 25 coaches have enrolled in the course.

The basic instruction is available to players from the under 15 age group upwards.

The sessions are once weekly over 13 weeks and a nightly fee is payable.

The Federation of Soccer Coaches' experts conduct all sessions, with experts in various fields concentrating on their specialities.

Information is available from District Association secretaries, or from John McLaughlin, 65 Beecroft Road, Epping, WM1675.

The most important advice concerned making the size of the footballs and fields suitable to the size and age of the particular players.

A number of suggestions were made as to how these things could be quickly and economically done.

Sir Stanley favored use of plastic footballs, which are commonly used right through football in Britain.

Plastic footballs, he said, are used by almost all professionals in England.

Cowra

Twenty five local people, mainly prospective players, turned out to form the Cowra Soccer F.C.

The club has played social matches against Wyangala Dam Soccer Club, 23 miles away.

The Cowra club has made contact with Orange, so matches can be expected against Orange and Bathurst.

Arrangements are being made for coaching to assist the Cowra Boys Club to commence Soccer.

For a visit to Cowra at the end of the season, Sydney clubs should contact Mr. C.C. Dickson, c/- Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd., P.O. Box 91, Cowra.

Sir Stanley's advice

A report has been prepared to incorporate all the main points made by FIFA chief, Sir Stanley Rous, in discussions with junior officials in Sydney recently.

The information is considered to have such application to junior and scholboy football that the NSW Junior Association will circulate 3,000 copies of it.

These will go in ample quantities to all Associations and through them to their clubs.

Copies will also be sent to Federation clubs, referees' societies, coaching organizations, ect.

Supplies will be sent to interstate and South Pacific contacts.

Sir Stanley covered aspects of coaching and administration, and the spirit which must be a part of the sport.

He also dealt with the quicker development of young players and amateur aspects.

So you think you know soccer? No.10/III

By R. E. FEREE

A lot of commonsense must be used when refereeing and the referee has a hard job in interpreting the Laws, especially when a player lacks knowledge of the rules.

Perhaps an example will help to illustrate the point better.

A Second Division match between teams 'A' and 'B' is being played on a public ground where there are no goal-nets (they are not compulsory).

Before play commences the captain of team 'A' informs the referee that he is starting the game with ten men and that the other player will be coming in later.

A few minutes later, and while the ball is in the 'A' penalty-area, the referee notices the eleventh man of 'A' team entering the field between the goal-posts of team 'B', without having received any acknowledgement from him.

The referee, being a sticker to the rules, immediately stops play and cautions the offender for entering the field of play without permission.

He then realises that he has to restart the game at the place where the infringment occurred by dropping the ball.

Did he do the right thing according to the Laws?

ANSWER: Yes, but he has placed himself in a very difficult position, because he has to bounce the ball at the spot where the offender entered the on the goal line and this field without permission, definitely will not endear him to the players and spectators.

In this case it would have been better to stick to the letter and spirit of Law 12 which does not oblige the referee to stop the game to administer the caution, but that he could always apply the advantage clause.

This is an instance where commonsense did not prevail and he should have waited until the ball went out of play or until the offender had touched the ball.

SOCCER FEATURED IN AUST. NOVEL

It is fairly rare to find soccer as a subject for fiction — but here is an Australian novel in which our game plays a big part.

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He joins an Italian club, and this becomes part of the conflicts around which the novel is built.

There is, for instance, a big soccer "riot" of the kind now fortunately becoming unusual.

THE YOUNG WIFE is essentially, a study of New Australian life, with Greeks and Italians playing leading parts. It has been hailed by Australian critics: the Sydney Morning Herald calling it "a milestone on Australia's road to literary maturity."

Melbourne soccer comentator, Alex Barr, recently discussed it on his TV programme — both as a novel and a book that intimately tells of the adventure on the soccer field.

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K. MARTON	4	A. FRANJIC
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A. CSERI	10	G. TURIC
S. HERCZEG	11	F. VINICKY

REFEREE: **W. HOSIE** LINESMEN: **T. Burchell, J. Wharton**

CURTAIN RAISER — 1.30 P.M.

ADVERTISER CUP FINAL

BUDAPEST v. JUVENTUS

REFEREE: **J. HANKINSON** LINESMEN: **K. Candy, E. Stevens.**

Good way to display our wares to public

By LES HINTON
"The News" soccer writer.

The SA Federation cunningly made use of our recent Royal Show.

Having realised that they could reach out to the general public at the show, and give them a taste of reasonably good soccer, they staged two games — a senior one on a Commonwealth v. Europe basis and a junior match.

It was the second time this season that a Europe v. Commonwealth game had been put on in Adelaide.

The first was as a State trial before the August 18 match against Victoria.

The first game was exceptionally good and officials were pretty sure of getting a high standard by arranging the teams similarly for the Show game.

And so the stage was set for a game which could, for a while at least, make or break soccer in the eyes of the average Aussie.

Both anxiety and apprehension was evident among officials before the game began.

There were about 5,000 people looking on — about a third of them for the first time.

The whistle was blown, the match was underway and, thank heavens, it was a beautiful game.

Mingling with spectators some very interesting comments could be heard.

One died-in-the-wool type had this to say: "I'm an Aussie Rules man, but I must say there's plenty of speed and skill in this game. The one thing I do miss are the body clashes you get in football."

Many others reacted similarly and, of course, some were not impressed.

It is hard to say whether soccer can win many "converts" with these kind of games but if we can stage a few more matches like this one, nothing but good can result.

The Australian Rules situation in South Australia is not the best at present.

Several leading officials in our Football League recently expressed concern at the dwindling attendances at their games.

It is now that soccer must strike — while the iron is hot — and this seems a very wise way in which to do it.

Throughout Australia whenever a club has the opportunity to put on a game which can be seen by the general public they should seize it.

At charity functions, shows, fetes, or any other such gatherings, clubs should endeavor to play soccer and make Australians more aware of the game.

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Allan Crisp's Adelaide summary

Budapest - Croatia in Jaxen Cup final

Hindmarsh Stadium will be the venue of tomorrow's Jaxen Cup final between keen rivals, Budapest and Croatia.

Budapest will start red-hot favorites having already captured all the honors 1962 had to offer.

The champions are anxious to gain the coveted double of premiership and cup — something which eluded them last year.

Lion, the present cup holders, were eliminated earlier by Cumberland, and Budapest brushed the Edwardstown team aside last week.

In doing so Budapest were far from their best.

Goczon proved an able substitute for the injured Zsuppan last week but Budapest sadly missed the penetration usually provided by Bela Szabo.

The star winger will probably return for tomorrow's final.

If he does — Budapest with Szabo on the right, and Herczeg on the left, will give Croatia's full backs a torrid time.

Croatia's main strength lies in defence despite the fact that they conceded twice as many league goals as Budapest.

Franjic and Lister will need to work hard to gain kicks in mid-field with Marton, and A. Balter in opposition.

On paper Croatia's defence compares favorably with that of Budapest.

In attack there is a marked difference, however.

While Budapest are capable of bewildering forward feats, Croatia's attack is at best merely serviceable.

This advantage should gain Budapest the final — and that elusive double.

GALLANT CUP BID HALTED

Budapest halted Cumberland's gallant cup bid, when they downed them 4:0 last Saturday to qualify for the final.

With neither side at their top the game fell well below the standard of their thrilling league clash.

Cumberland did well to hold the power packed Budapest to only one first half goal, but wilted under pressure late in the game.

Budapest began well when Herczeg broke away to test Jansen after two minutes.

The Cumberland goalkeeper stopped the winger's shot.

Midway through the half a well placed Herczeg corner found Marton, who bullocked his way through the Cumberland defence to shoot.

The ball struck defender T. Lock and entered the net for Budapests' first goal.

The liveliest play of the game followed with Budapest raining shots on the goal.

Matiscsak, Cseri, and Marton all hit the crossbar with attempts, and goalkeeper Jansen brought the house down with two great saves.

With Matiscsak well held by Smith, Budapest had a valuable avenue to goal stopped.

At left-back Harlow was allowing few chances to right wing Foldesy and it was left to Herczeg to record Budapest's second goal after 11 minutes of the second half.

The same player scored two typical scoring goals in the last eight minutes of the game to clinch Budapest's victory.

Goalscorers: Herczeg 3, T. Lock (own goal).

How they lined up:

BUDAPEST: Horvath; Nemeth, F. Balter; Marton, S. Szabo, A. Balter; Foldesy, Goczan, Matiscsak, Cseri, Herczeg.

CUMBERLAND: Jansen; T. Lock, Harlow; Stockley, Smith, Shuttleworth; B. Lock, Peterson, Stone, Evans, Goodall.

SECOND DIVISION

Enfield (1st) will play Edinburgh (3rd) in the main second division match tomorrow.

Following last week's shock loss to Windsor Edinburgh will be keen to reenter the winning bracket.

Austria will take on Port Adelaide at Hart Reserve and must win to get back in the premiership race.

With Alex Beattie now fully recovered from his injury and back to his best goal scoring form, Austria should win.

Salisbury and Hellas should provide an entertaining match at Salisbury North.

Hellas are fourth and Salisbury seventh, but Salisbury on their home ground could spring an upset.

COMPETITION TABLE

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Enfield	14	1	1	57	13	29
Austria	12	1	2	59	19	25
Edinburgh	12	-	4	48	24	24
Hellas	8	2	5	32	29	18
Windsor	7	2	6	38	40	16
Port Ad.	6	3	7	40	36	15
Salisbury	6	2	8	32	39	14
Elizabeth	4	2	9	34	43	10
Malta	1	2	13	9	50	4
Napoli	-	1	15	9	65	1

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS:

Austria v. Elizabeth	9:1
Hellas v. Napoli	4:0
Enfield v. Salisbury	3:0
Windsor v. Edinburgh	3:2
P. Adelaide v. Malta	1:1

THIS SATURDAY

Port Adelaide v. Austria at Hart Reserve. Referee H. Beevers.

Napoli v. Elizabeth at B.T.M. Oval. Referee J. De Felice.

Salisbury v. Hellas at Salisbury Nth. Referee D. Radjenovic.

Edinburgh v. Enfield at Edinburgh. Referee D. Gardner.

Malta v. Windsor at Culliford Reserve. Referee W. Lowcock.

JUNIOR FINALS

For the first time in history of this State three teams finished on top of the Junior A Division League table with equal points. — Lion A, Polonia A and Cumberland all obtained 31 points, with 14 wins, three draws and one loss each.

However, Lion A took the honors on goal average.

As a matter of interest here is the final count:

Lion A scored 69 goals to 5 against, Polonia A 73 to 9 and Cumberland 46 to 11.

Lion A will now play off for the Premiership in IJSC against their club mates Lion B, which gained their Premiership of the B Division with ease and well ahead of the runner-up, Hellas.

Even considering that two teams of the same club will be opposed to each other in the Premiership Final, there will be no doubt that the rivalry between the Lion A and B teams will create a hard and close game with plenty of thrills and excitement.

Another exciting Final will be played at Mortlock Park, where the Cumberland and Polonia Colts will meet for the Colts Premiership.

Both teams have performed extremely well throughout this season and it would be impossible to predict the winner for this match.

Let me close by wishing all participants in their respective finals the best of luck and may the best teams win.

And in conclusion I wish to express my sincere thanks to Soccer World for the Junior coverage printed in our popular paper to the extent, the Editors could possibly go.

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SHORT PASSES

● The Junior Premiership final will be played at 12 noon tomorrow between Lion A and Lion B at the Hindmarsh Stadium.

The winning side will receive the Junior Premiership Shield — a magnificent trophy presented by Mr. W. M. Singlehurst.

In addition to the trophy Mr. Singlehurst has also donated medals for both the winners and the losers.

● ABS Channel 2, recently began a brilliant new TV series called "Saturday Sport" — a BBC film on British sport.

Soccer is featured prominently in the program which is screened during Sportsview on Saturdays at 1.30 p.m.

● CROATIA have acquired the services of State and Birkalla coach John Lindquist to assist them in their Australia Cup bid.

A proposal to coach Croatia full-time was rejected by John who elected to remain with Birkalla.

● THE marriage of Birkalla reserve team player Brian Curry on October 6 threatens to lessen Birkalla's chances of success in their third round Craven A Cup game against Budapest on that date.

The wedding will clash with the game, and Birkalla have applied to have the cup-tie played earlier in the day.

First team centre Harry Jones will be best man and other first team's regulars — Len Harry and Doug Murray — will attend the ceremony.

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Brisbane line-ups

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

EBBW VALE 2.45 p.m.

ST. HELENS v. HELLENIC

(GREEN & WHITE)		(BLUE & WHITE)
T. TOWNSEND	1	B. TOPFER
G. PRYDE	2	D. CLARKE
T. JONES	3	D. McKENNA
D. MERCER	4	J. McCARTHY
N. CAMPBELL	5	L. McCREA
N. SANDER	6	L. PETIE
B. FECHNER	7	G. KITCHING
A. CURRIE	8	B. VOGLER
A. GREAVES	9	G. VINCZE
A. PITCAIRN	10	J. ELMS
P. CORCORAN	11	G. McMILLAN

HEATH PARK 2.45 p.m.

MERTON ROVERS v. GERMANIA

(BLACK & WHITE)		(GREEN)
N. WILLIAMS	1	M. WIMMER
G. MEAGHER	2	W. KELLER
H. GHANI	3	J. SCHNEIDER
L. PETERSEN	4	W. OLDENBERG
N. WARREN	5	G. HAHN
E. LLUKA	6	K. LANGE
K. BURKE	7	K. STACHE
J. ANTHONY	8	G. PFUHL
E. PATTISON	9	N. HYDMAN
A. MORRIS	10	S. WEHNER
K. MELVILLE	11	R. GANZENMUELLER

BLACKSTONE 2.45 p.m.

BLACKSTONE v. LATROBE

(RED & BLACK		(GREEN & GOLD)
D. BROWN	1	B. PARKER
T. PATTERSON	2	R. CLARKE
R. BROWN	3	J. WAKERLY
C. SMITH	4	A. BAIN
M. WOOLLEY	5	H. BROWN
B. PARKES	6	K. FAIRBAIRN
R. HUGHES	7	J. TAYLOR
M. PAGE	8	B. BRENNAN
R. WOODFORD	9	J. DARLINGTON
A. N. OTHER	10	R. HARKNESS
R. FOLLETT	11	R. SAUNDERS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

DUNLOP PARK 2.45 p.m.

OXLEY UNITED v. EASTS UNITED

(RED & WHITE)		(BLACK & WHITE)
G. ARROWSMITH	1	K. EDEN
R. EVANS	2	S. WARD
K. FREDLINE	3	G. OATCHPOLE
L. JONES	4	L. McMILLAN
L. VERRAL	5	C. HOWELL
E. HILLIER	6	M. HAY
C. WILSON	7	G. SHINER
J. HENDERSON	8	T. DEVINE
B. TRISTRAM	9	G. NAHUYSEN
R. WILSON	10	M. WILD
A. KARBONOWITZ	11	M. BOHAN

BUNDAMBA 2.45 p.m.

BUNDAMBA v. AZZURRI

(SKY BLUE		(SKY BLUE)
A. HUDSON	1	G. KRUGER
F. JOHNSON	2	G. KATHAGE
G. PETIE	3	L. MINUTELLO
R. RULE	4	J. MENGOTTI
A. DUNCAN	5	A. WARREN
W. PITCAIRN	6	C. SANDER
A. BAMBERRY	7	S. KITCHING
G. DANN	8	F. CLEETON
M. KITCHING	9	G. NUNN
G. NUNN	10	A. ROBERTSON
L. GRIMMOND	11	S. DEDMAN

LANHAM PARK 2.45 p.m.

GRANGE-THISTLE v. CROATIA

(TANGERINE)		(WHITE)
A. RIGBY	1	Z. HOICH
J. WALLASTEIN	2	A. HOZJAN
D. HARGREAVES	3	A. BREZAC
D. KEENAN	4	N. BREZAC
A. SMITH	5	C. TOICH
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Merton Rovers worthy 1962 Champions

Hats off to the young Merton Rovers for their fine performance in defeating the three teams that finished ahead of them in the premiership competition, Oxley, Azzurri and finally Hellenic, to win the Queensland championship at the first time of asking.

Brought into first division for the first time at the start of this season, they won their first four premiership games to keep level with Hellenic.

But then came a bad patch, when they suffered defeat after defeat, to come within danger of relegation.

Then came the change. Eric Pattison, just back from a spell with Queens Park Rangers in Britain, was transferred from Azzurri to Merton, which was coached by Eric's father and the pattern of things soon changed.

Eric was just what the forward line wanted, and after a few games in which to settle down, he proved his worth, and since has led the forward line in excellent style.

He has been a prolific goalscorer, but the great part of his work has been the way in which he has held the attack together and distributed the ball.

He has, in fact, given us a display of real centre forward play, and Queensland has great hopes of this lad in the future.

When the premiership ended, few people gave Merton a chance of getting past the first semi-final, which was against Oxley United.

With a narrow 2:1 lead at half time, and facing a gale force wind in the second half, it looked "guineas to goosberries" on an Oxley victory, but Merton had other ideas, and clapped on the pace in the second half to coast home 7:2.

Then when Hellenic won the other semi-final by defeating Azzurri, Merton had to meet Azzurri in the preliminary final.

What a game that was, when in the last kick of the match, Azzurri drew level, and a replay was ordered.

This replay was on Wednesday, Sept. 12, and what a game it was.

Soccer at its exciting best, with Merton triumphant by one goal to nil — a goal scored by Eric Pattison.

FROM LEN TODD

For some weeks now the domination of competitions by the continental-sponsored teams, Hellenic and Azzurri has at last been threatened.

Merton and Azzurri turned it on in great style, and spectators roared their approval throughout the whole exciting 90 minutes.

It was not a case of Azzurri being brought back to Merton Rovers, but rather, the standard of Merton being brought right up to that of Azzurri.

Now on Sunday last, Merton put the seal on a fine run of success by tossing the mighty Hellenic 2:0.

This grand final did not reach the high standard of the Merton v. Azzurri two clashes.

This was not the fault of Merton, although it was obvious the players were feeling the effects of two hard matches against Azzurri.

However, they had enough on the ball to warrant their defeat of Hellenic and are now worthy champions.

Their victory gives other clubs lower down the list a fine example of what can be done with the many talented youngsters we have here in Queensland.

Never at any stage did Hellenic look winners.

Hellenic players looked like an untrained body of eleven men who had not previously played together.

In point of fact, apart from Grahame McMillan, Brian Vogler and Brian Topfer, none played up to their known form.

They were undoubtedly paying the price of a few weeks let up.

Cohesion was completely lacking, and the usual solid defence, which in the past has been one of the most understanding of all, did not seem to click at all.

Credit for Merton's victory is shared by many.

First of all the skipper Leif Petersen. No player to come to Queensland has created such a fine impression as Leif.

Petersen as a skipper has continually inspired his team to great things, and much of the credit must go to him.

The crowd carried him shoulder high from the field after the game against Azzurri on Wednesday, and again at the close of Sunday's game against Hellenic.

Eric Pattison deserves his quota of praise for his fine work. He looks like the Queensland centre forward of the future.

Hamid Gani, left back, has done yeomen service for Merton, and if still in Queensland next year looks a logical choice for the position in the State team.

Neil Warren, since taking over the centre half position, has been a tower of strength to Merton.

To all the others must go an amount of praise for the team work they put in — all played their part.

However, I feel none of this great improvemen could have taken place without the expert advice of Merton's coach, John Pattison.

He has done wonders with this side and one reminded of his great work with the State team a few years ago.

He coached the Queensland team that won the F.A. Cup from N.S.W., and later coached the Queensland team that held Heart of Midlothian to a 3:3 draw.

One could sense the pattern of Pattison's coaching in Mertons recent style.

It was reminiscent of the State team's play in those years.

MINOR GRADES

Redbank turned in a fine performance in holding Germania to a 1-all draw in the grand final last Sunday.

Germania just could not break through for the winning goal, and the match will now be replayed.

In the first Division B grand final, Grange-Thistle and Azzurri played a 2-all draw.

CRAVEN A CUP THIS WEEKEND

The Craven A competition will resume this weekend, when Easts United will try on Sunday to maintain their lead in the "A" Section of the competition, against Oxley at Dunlop Park.

Both teams have been out of action for a couple of weeks and this could have an effect on their play.

Normally one would go for Easts, but Oxley seem determined to make amends for their failure against Merton and could surprise.

However, I feel the margin either way will be small.

In the "B" section, on Saturday, Latrobe, the leaders, journey to Blackstone, where they will meet tough opposition.

Latrobe have kept up to pitch by playing a friendly game or two, and visited Lismore last weekend.

Latrobe have only to play up to top form to win this, but Blackstone is always a hard nut to crack on their own ground.

St. Helens meet Hellenic at Ebbw Vale, also on Saturday, and it would not surprise to see Saints upset Hellenic, especially if Hellenic cannot improve on Sunday's form.

However, Hellenic's play on Sunday was too bad to be repeated, and I feel Hellenic will just about get home.

Merton play Germania at Heath Park, on Saturday, and should win again.

On Sunday, at Bundamba, the home team do not appear to have much chance against Azzurri, who will be the visitors. Azzurri should win.

The remaining game is at Lanham Park, where Grange-Thistle go in against Croatia.

This should be a comfortable win for Grange.

FOR AND AGAINST

WE LIKED:

● The manner in which Referee Bill Vernon handled the grand final. He is becoming one of our very top referees, and can be relied upon to do a fine job.

● The general presentation of the three grand finals in the one afternoon at the Exhibition — P.A. System good, ambulance man in attendance and ball boys in uniform dress.

WE DID NOT LIKE:

● Only two balls being in use for the greater part of the Hellenic v. Merton match.

LOCAL SCENE

● I was present at the Brisbane Cricket Ground last Saturday to see the Queensland v. N.S.W. under 18 teams play.

The lads gave us some fine football, and although that game was a 3-all draw, Queensland, having won the first match 6:1, took the series.

While we have in Queensland such fine young under 18's we need have little fear for the future.

I saw a 15-year-old left half, W. Haigh, who was most impressive.

The centre half also did a great job, and at right half Queensland had a brother of Lance Petie of Hellenic.

He has a bright future, and could follow in his father's footsteps and play for Australia.

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SECOND DIVISION GRAND FINAL

The 1962 Second Division Grand Final between Croatia and Corinthians brings together undoubtedly the best sides of about equal strength.

Last time they meet, Croatia was lucky to take both points.

If Corinthians are able to field their best team, they could topple the champions.

Whatever the result, however, the fans won't go home disappointed.

Both teams are capable of playing attractive and entertaining football, so it promises to be a wonderful finale to a great season.

And may the best team win.

PROBABLE LINE UP:

CROATIA: Littlemore; Foitlin, Scotti; Fabijanick, Bonazza (c.), Kovacs; Wesely, Hejtmanek, Hoare, Pascales, Magony.

BY EINAR PERSEN

CORINTHIANS: Sutton; Nimmo, Marbrow; Williams, Fazackerley (c.), Hillsdon; Miller, Todd, Bridges, Hall, Wilding.

Referee: J. Ipenburg.

Linesmen: D. Buchan, S. Pundyk.

In the preliminary final Corinthians defeated Balgownie 2:0 (1:0) and thus qualified to meet Croatia in the Grand Final.

CORINTHIANS 2 (1)
BALGOWNIE 0 (0)

CORINTHIANS: Sutton; Nimmo, Marbrow; Williams, Fazackerley (c.), Hillsdon; Miller, Todd, Bridges. Hall, Wilding.

BALGOWNIE: Erthrington; Robinson, Beencke; Peters (c.), McKinnon, Ryan; Bell, Harris, Van der Kooi, Davidson, Kellow.

Scorers: McKinnon 20 min. (own goal), Wilding 60 min. (Corinthians).

Corinthians gave a good display and Balgownie were lucky that the margin against them was not greater.

The first half was played in pouring rain, but this did not stop Corinthians from outclassing their opponents.

The all-English team dominated play to such an extent that Balgownie did not have one shot at goal throughout the match.

Only poor shooting by Corinthians forwards and a game display by Balgownie defence prevented a high score.

The first goal of the match resulted when Mc Kinnon deflected a cross from Wilding into his own net.

After the interval play became rugged with the referee cautioning several players.

Balgownie could not break through the formidable Corinthians defence, but at the other end Bridges missed a couple of "sitters".

The game was all over when Wilding scored from a freekick just outside the penalty area with a rising shot into the left corner.

Best for Corinthians were the half back line trio Williams, Fazackerley and Hillsdon, while in the forwards outside left Wilding gave a great display.

For Balgownie McKinnon was his usual best, skipper Peters and goalkeeper Erthrington also impressed.

- HAVE YOUR SAY -

Consolation competition

The Newcastle idea of introducing a night competition for the teams that did not reach the finals is a very good one.

While we have the ball rolling, why not stage a floodlit "Looser's Cup" in Sydney on a knock-out basis between the first and second division teams that didn't make the finals.

This, as well as giving the soccer supporter a look at the second division teams, would provide first division teams with the competition they need to keep fit for the "Craven A" series, and a little bit of extra revenue which they could share evenly with the lower division opponents.

I feel this suggestion is worth keeping in mind, specially if the charges were around the 2/- and 4/- mark.

R. Novello, Maroubra

Publicity lacking

In the Brisbane page of Soccer World 7.9.62 the item „For and Against" certainly interested me.

Taking two of the three complaints under the position of "We did not like", namely (1) Lack of P.A. system at the Exhibition, (2) Not sufficient ball boys.

These complaints must be put down to the fault of the code's secretary, who, I believe, is now a full paid official.

If that is correct, then the sooner something is done the better for the progress of the code.

As to the third complaint, namely, "The comparatively poor attendance for such an important game".

As a spectator the answer to me is the poor publicity the games get through the Press, particularly, the day of the important match.

Take either of our two Sunday papers — nothing is ever said about our games for that day.

Admittedly on advertisement is published the day before in the Press, which, in my opinion, is not the same, and a waste of money.

I know there are hundreds of people arrive in ships each Sunday who don't know soccer is played and who would go if they only knew where.

After reading the Soccer World and the Melbourne Soccer Weekly, I'm more convinced we have the writers and informations of from all over the world to interest all nationalities.

With the support of the clubs I'm sure the code could produce its own publicity and be independent of the daily Press.

Clubs must realise publicity will draw the crowds.

Here's hoping the new clubs knockout competition gets the right publicity as that venture must be a success.

"Soccer Fan", Norman Park, Brisbane.

Reader says, "Thanks"

I would like to congratulate Soccer World for the magnificent coverage it has supplied in 1962.

Every section of soccer from overseas, interstate, local, junior and second division has been supplied to readers.

The Green Paper has come a long way since 1958.

Features most pleasing to me were the coverage of weekly club games in every State and the team line-ups of the previous week's second division matches.

These proved invaluable to me when I watched several second division games where I did not know the players.

J. Williams, Mortdale

Ballboys behavior

Ballboys obviously regard the field sidelines as their own private training field — they enjoy passing, tossing and heading the ball immensely.

Unfortunately, they are displaying this activity at the most unsuitable time — during matches.

This happens regularly at Wentworth Park and Marks Field grounds.

Officials to whom I and others have complained do not appear to have bothered much or their instructions are being flatly disregarded by the boys.

Is there nobody in the ranks of our Federation who has the authority to compel the boys to restrict themselves to their proper job.

Could you imagine similar things happening, for instance, at the White City Tennis Courts during tournament play?

Josef Robicsek, Bondi

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THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

SECOND DIVISION GRAND FINALS
(Ground to be arranged)

CROATIA v. SYD. AUST. — 1.15 p.m. 2nd grade
CROATIA v. CORINTH'S — 3.00 p.m. 1st grade

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

FIRST DIVISION GRAND FINAL
SYDNEY SPORTS GROUND

STH. COAST v. PRAGUE — 11.45 p.m. 3rd grade
BUDAPEST v. CANTERB. — 1.15 p.m. 2nd grade
HAKOAH v. YUGAL or BUDAPEST — 3.00 p.m. 1st grade

NEXT WEEKEND

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
SYDNEY ATHLETIC FIELD

S. COAST v. CORINTH'S — 7.30 P.M.
PRAGUE v. AUBURN — 9.00 P.M.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
WENTWORTH PARK

BANKST'N v. B'GOWNIE — 1.15 P.M.
APIA v. CROATIA — 3.00 P.M.

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